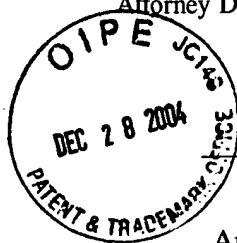


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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action October 1, 2004, please amend without prejudice the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendment to the Title** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification:** NONE.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings:** NONE.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Title:**

Please amend the title of the invention to read as follows:

-- FACE MASK RETAINING SYSTEM--

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